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SUBJ: 60TH ECOSOC ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION: COMMITTEE ON
FOOD AID POLICIES AND PROGRAMS

1. AT ITS ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL WAS CALLED UPON TO ELECT ONE MEMBER TO THE UN/FAO INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE OF THE WORLD PROGRAM. THE VACANCY WAS TO HAVE BEEN FILLED BY AN AFRICAN STATE. THIS ELECTION HAD BEEN POSTPONED FROM THE 59TH SESSION OF THE COUNCIL (JULY, 1975) BECAUSE AT THAT TIME THERE WAS NO AFRICAN CANDIDATE. AT THE ORGANIZATIONAL SESSION THE AFRICAN GROUP STILL HAD NO CANDIDATE FOR THE POST.

2. IN ADDITION AND IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3404 (XXX), THE COUNCIL WAS CALLED UPON TO ELECT THREE ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO THE NEWLY CONSTITUTED COMMITTEE ON FOOD AID POLICIES AND PROGRAMS. THE THREE ANNOUNCED CANDIDATES WERE ARGENTINA, BELGIUM, AND THE PHILIPPINES. THESE THREE WERE ELECTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

3. ALTHOUGH NOT EXPLICITLY STATED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL, USUN ASSUMES THAT THE TWICE-FRUSTRATED EFFORTS TO ELECT AN AFRICAN STATE TO THE NOW DEFUNCT UN/FAO INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR A TERM OF OFFICE EXPIRING IN 1978, WILL BE TAKEN UP AGAIN AT THE SPRING ECOSOC IN
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